# **Program Information**

**VA North Texas Health Care System** 

The CIIRP unit and the ASP are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) and the Joint Commission (TJC).

Comprehensive Integrated Inpatient Rehabilitation Program (CIIRP) and Amputation Specialty Program (ASP)

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### **About the CIIRP and ASP programs**

The Comprehensive Integrated Inpatient Rehabilitation Program (CIIRP) is a rehabilitation program in which Veterans receive intensive acute rehabilitation services. The CIIRP program addresses physical, psychological and medical problems to maximize each Veteran's quality of life and a safe return to home. The program includes specialization in the care of the amputee in pre and post prosthetic phases of rehabilitation.

The CIIRP & ASP unit is located in the Community Living Center (CLC) at the Dallas VA North Texas Health Care System.

### **CIIRP Mission**

Maximize the health, functional independence, and quality of life for Veterans with disabilities through excellence in clinical care, education and research.

#### **Services Provided**

The rehabilitation team includes:

- Veteran/Family
- Physician/Physician Asst
- Rehabilitation Coordinator
- Rehabilitation Nurse
- Physical Therapist
- Speech Language Pathologist

- Kinesiotherapist (Drivers Training)
- Psychologist
- Social Worker
- Recreation Therapist
- Occupational Therapist
- Chaplain, Dietitian & Others based on need

### Items to Bring to Rehab\*

- Grooming items for personal care
- Easy to pull-on clothing, laundry detergent (washer/dryer available)
- Underwear, socks
  - \*Veteran Suggested Items
- Wheelchair, cushion, leg rests
- Assistive Devices (i.e. reacher, sock aid)
- Sturdy walking shoes

### Who is eligible for CIIRP?

The team provides services to Veterans after an amputation, a stroke, fractures, joint replacement, weakness after surgery, heart attack and others.

Eligible Veterans are assessed through the following criteria:

- Must be medically stable
- Must be able to participate and tolerate therapy 3 hours a day 5 out of 6 days a week
- Must need help with two or more therapies (PT/OT/ST)
- Must be alert and able to follow instructions
- Must be motivated, capable and willing to participate in therapies
- Should be able to improve function or achieve independence
- Should be able to be discharged outside of the institutional setting

## **Outcomes for All diagnosis**

In 2020 we had 42 Veterans admitted to CIIRP. The average age was 68 years.

95% of the Veterans are very happy with this program.

Most Veterans stay in the program for about 12 days.

Our Veterans averaged 3.28 hours of therapy per day. Twenty-eight Veterans met 90% or more of their predicted goals.

None of the Veterans was discharged to the hospital and 7 to a Nursing facility, with 38 of the Veterans going directly to home after discharge. Of 36 who came for post-discharge follow-up, 97% maintained and/or improved their ability to perform their self-care and mobility at follow-up.